Hello Deaf and Hard of Hearing Community,

We are asking you to take few minutes to complete the survey. The purpose of this survey is to get your opinions and experiences with the lodging facilities accommodations in Iowa. We will have the result of the survey to identify the most pressing problems.

The survey will help us assess the industry as it relates to the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Deaf-Blind and your experience and knowledge as it relates to your rights to hotel accommodations in the State of Iowa. Your information is important to us. We thank you in advance for your assistance.

If you need assistance with survey, please call DSCI. We will be happy to help you with this survey.

I. Ha	ve you	wished	o see	the 1	front	desk	with	TTY?	YES	OR	ΝO
-------	--------	--------	-------	-------	-------	------	------	------	-----	----	----

2.	Do you	wish F	Room	Serv	vices	have	TTY?	YES	OR	NO
----	--------	--------	------	------	-------	------	------	-----	----	----

If yes, do you have any experiences you can share with us?							

3. Do you feel that the lodging facility should have visual & vibrating alarm clocks in every room? YES OR NO
If yes, can you explain why it is so important to have visual & vibrating alarms clocks in the rooms?
4. Each time you stayed in a hotel/motel, did you have a visual fire alarm in your room? YES OR NO
If you had gotten a room that did not have a visual fire alarm in your room, what did you do? Why?
5. Do you feel that is necessary to have TTY as a public accommodation in the lobby? YES OR NO
If yes, why it is important to you?
6. Did you have any bad experiences when you called the lodging making a reservation though Relay Iowa? YES OR NO
What was your bad experience? Please explain:

7. Did you have any experiences when the lodging facility denied your request for an accommodation? YES OR NO
If so, how did you feel when the facility denied your request?
8. What would you do, if the Lodging facilities do not provide equal access to people with disabilities?
9. Have you experienced when you stayed your room that the closed captioning on your in-room TV does not work? YES OR NO
How would you handle this if your in-room TV does not have closed captioning?

10. Do you realize that ADA requires hotel to provide access to the people with disabilities with the following number of rooms to be equipped (TTY, Notification system, Telephone amplifier, Closed-Caption, Visual Smoke Detector Devices & Visual & Vibrating clock alarms)? YES OR NO

Number of Rooms in Facility	Number that must be accessible for persons with Hearing Impairment				
1 to 25	2				
26 to 50	4				
51 to 75	6				
76 to 100	8				
101 to 150	10				
151 to 200	12				
201 to 300	14				
301 to 400	16				
401 to 500	18				
501 to 1000	4% of total				
1001 and over	40 plus 2 for each 100 over 100				

(Half of these must also be accessible for persons with mobility impairments)

share wit	 additional f	eedback or	ideas that yo	ou would lik	e to

If you have any questions, please contact DSCI at 515- 281-3164 TTY/Voice or 1-888-221-3724 Toll Free Voice / TTY

Thank you so much for your time and attention to this request. <u>Please</u> <u>return your survey by mail, FAX or e-mail it to no later than December 1, 2008</u>

IA Department of Human Rights Deaf Services Commission of Iowa % Stephanie Lyons Lucas State Office Building 321 E. 2nd Street Des Moines, IA 50319

FAX: 515-242-6119

E-mail: <u>Stephanie.Lyons@iowa.gov</u>

Sincerely,

Stephanie Lyons

Stephanie Lyons Consultant